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## General Information

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### STIFERITE GT insulation panel

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#### Declared product / declared unit

STIFERITE GT expanded rigid polyurethane foam, covered on both sides by Duowtin® Green, facers, and produced by Stiferite. The EPD applies to 1 m<sup>2</sup> of average 61 mm thickness PUR sandwich board, i.e. 0.061 m<sup>3</sup>, with an average density between foam and facing of 34.7 kg/m<sup>3</sup>.

#### Scope:

Stiferite produces **STIFERITE GT** that is a high performance insulation board manufactured from closed cell expanded rigid polyurethane foam, covered on both sides by covered on both sides by Duowtin® Green facers. The data have been provided by the only Stiferite factory that is located in Padova (Italy) for the year 2015.

The owner of the declaration shall be liable for the underlying information and evidence; the IBU shall not be liable with respect to manufacturer information, life cycle assessment data and evidences.

The EPD was created according to the specifications of *EN 15804+A1*. In the following, the standard will be simplified as *EN 15804*.

#### Verification

The standard *EN 15804* serves as the core PCR

Independent verification of the declaration and data according to *ISO 14025:2010*

☐ internally ☒ externally



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## Product

### Product description/Product definition

STIFERITE'S thermo insulation panels are mainly used in the building/construction sector and that of industrial insulation.

The panels are made of thermo-setting closed cells polyurethane foam (PU) supplied with various types of flexible facers on both sides of the panel. The nature/type of facer contributes to the performance characteristics of the product and its application. Expanded rigid polyurethane foam is distinguished by its' excellent thermo insulation performance, mechanical resistance, workability, lightness, and durability.

The performance of STIFERITE'S panels is determined based on the European norm /EN 13165:2012+A1:2015 Thermal insulation products for buildings - Factory made rigid polyurethane foam (PU) products - Specification/.

This EPD refers to STIFERITE's GT average thick

panel, made of an insulation component in polyurethane foam using blowing agent Pentane-based, covered **on both sides with Duotwin® Green facers.**

**The gas-tight properties of the facing allow the highest thermal insulation to be achieved and maintained over time.**

The panel is produced in standard dimensions of **600 x 1200 mm and straight finished edges. Upon request and for minimum quantities, the panels may be produced in various dimensions, and the borders may be rabbeted along the sides.** The surface of the panel may be evened off by sandpaper in order to allow installation to uneven surfaces. STIFERITE GT panel is produced by a certified company with systems: /ISO 9001/, /OHSAS 18001/, /ISO 14001/ in its entire line of products.

For the placing on the market of the product in the EU/EFTA (with the exception of Switzerland) Regulation (EU) No. 305/2011 (CPR) applies. The product needs a Declaration of Performance taking into consideration /EN 13165:2012+A1:2015 Thermal insulation products for building- factory made rigid polyurethane foam (PU) products - Specification/ and the CE-marking. For the application and use the respective national provisions apply.

#### Application

The STIFERITE GT panel is recommended for insulating: flat roofs: cold-applied waterproof synthetic or bituminous under-roofing; pitched roofs: ventilated, under sheet-metal, with self-adhesive membranes; walls: in cavity; floors and lofts: ground-supported and intermediate landing, radiant floors, industrial floors.

#### Technical Data

The data provided by the Declaration of Performance apply. In this Life Cycle Assessment, a PU insulation board with the following properties has been regarded:

#### Constructional data

Name	Value	Unit
Gross density	34.7	kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Declared Thermal conductivity $\lambda_D$ acc. to /EN 13165/	0.022	W/mK
Compressive strength at 10% deformation acc. to /EN 826/	> 150	kPa
Tensile strength perpendicular to the face acc. to /EN 1607/	> 35	kPa
Water absorption by total immersion acc. to /EN 12087/	< 1	Vol.-%
Water absorption by partial immersion acc. to /EN 1609/	< 0.1	kg/m <sup>2</sup>
Water vapour diffusion resistance factor $\mu$ acc. to /EN 12086/	146	
Euroclass reaction to fire acc. to /EN 11925/	F	

This provides a thermal resistance  $R = 2.65 \text{ m}^2 \text{ k/W}$ .

#### Base materials/Ancillary materials

**Core material** (about 83.7 % of the weight of the declared unit):

Closed-cell Polyiso (PIR) rigid foam made from MDI (50-65 %), polyols (20-30 %), pentane (4-5 %) and additives (4-7 %).

**Facing** (about 16.3 % of the weight of the declared unit): Duotwin® Green consisting of PE and PP (20-40 %), aluminium (10-15%) and paper (55-75%).

The PU board for insulation:

- does not contain substances which are included in the "Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for Authorisation" under the European chemicals Regulation /REACH/

Additional declaration according to quoted law: The product is compliant with all requirements indicated at chapter 2.4.2.9 of the /PANGPP 2017/:

- Any blowing agent with Ozone depletion potential >0 is not used in production
- Catalysts lead-based are not used in production
- Flame retardants used in production (belonging to the Organophosphorus class) are not banned by any national or European regulation
- According to the raw materials declarations of suppliers the minimum amount of recycled raw materials based on the insulation board (PU foam and facers) weight is 3 %w and the minimum amount of recycled raw materials based on the PU insulation foam weight is 4 %w (note: this information is not explicitly considered in the LCA and not included in the EPD tables that only refer to recycling content in the foreground system)

#### Reference service life

The durability of insulation panels is normally at least as long as the lifetime of the building in which it is used. The experimental data show that the reference life is longer than 50 years.

## LCA: Calculation rules

#### Declared Unit

The declared unit is 1 m<sup>2</sup> with an average thickness of 61 mm, e. g. 0.061 m<sup>3</sup>.

Corresponding conversion factors are listed in the table below.

#### Declared unit

Name	Value	Unit
Declared unit	1	m <sup>2</sup>
Gross density	34.7	kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Volume	0.061	m <sup>3</sup>
Declared thermal conductivity $\lambda_D$	0.022	W/mK
Conversion factor to 1 kg	0.472	m <sup>2</sup> /kg
Weight of declared unit	2.12	kg/m <sup>2</sup>

The LCI data used in this report refer to an average product having an average thickness (materials in the recipes of different thicknesses are weighted according to the relative production in square meters). The type

of declaration is 1 c - declaration of an average product from a manufacturer's plant.

For IBU core EPDs (where clause 3.6 is part of the EPD): for average EPDs, an estimate of the robustness of the LCA values must be made, e.g. concerning variability of the production process, geographical representativeness and the influence of background data and preliminary products compared to the environmental impacts caused by actual production.

#### System boundary

This life cycle assessment for the production of the polyurethane insulation board considers the life cycle from the supply of raw materials to the manufacturer's gate (cradle-to-gate with options). It also includes the transport to the construction site, the installation and the end-of-life stage of the used PU thermal insulation

board. The life cycle is split into the following individual phases:

- A1 - Raw material formulation
- A2 - Raw material transport
- A3 - Production of the insulation board and packaging material
- A4 - Transport to the construction site
- A5 - Emissions and cutting losses during installation and packaging disposal
- C2 - Transport to end of life
- C3/C4 - End-of-Life: waste management (thermal recovery, landfill)
- D - Benefits and loads beyond system boundary

#### Comparability

Basically, a comparison or an evaluation of EPD data is only possible if all the data sets to be compared

were created according to *EN 15804* and the building context, respectively the product-specific characteristics of performance, are taken into account.

For life cycle modelling of the considered products, the /GaBi 7: Software-System and Database for Life Cycle Engineering/ has been used.

## LCA: Scenarios and additional technical information

#### Transport to the building site (A4)

The distances calculated are weighted average distances according to the overall sales distribution; such distribution is considered similar for all Stiferite products.

Name	Value	Unit
Truck with a capacity of 17.3 tons	271	km
Ferry with a capacity of 1200-10000 dwt payload capacity	144	km
Ship with a capacity of 27500 dwt payload capacity tons	11000	km
Plane with a capacity of 22 ton	0	km

#### Installation into the building (A5)

Name	Value	Unit
Material loss	0.0423	kg
VOC in the air Pentane	1.27E-06	kg

#### Operational energy use (B6) and Operational water use (B7)

Name	Value	Unit
Water consumption	-	m <sup>3</sup>
Electricity consumption	-	kWh
Other energy carriers	-	MJ
Equipment output	-	kW

#### End of life (C1-C4)

The results for the end-of-life are declared for the 2 different scenarios:

Name	Value	Unit
Scenario No 1: Material Incineration	100	%
Scenario No 2: Landfill	100	%

C4: Disposal scenarios used is divided in the 2 sub-scenarios:

- 1) Incineration 100% (C4/1)
- 2) Landfilling 100% (C4/2)

D: Benefits and loads beyond system boundary is divided in the 2 sub-scenarios:

- 1) Incineration 100% (D1)
- 2) Landfilling 100% (D2)

## LCA: Results

The tables below show the results of the LCA. Basic information on all declared modules provides chapter 4. There are two scenarios for the end-of-life (C3, C4 and D) analyzed: Scenario 1 considers 100% incineration, Scenario 2 considers 100% landfill disposal.

For SM, RSF, NRSF, CRU indicators only the foreground system is considered.

**DESCRIPTION OF THE SYSTEM BOUNDARY (X = INCLUDED IN LCA; MND = MODULE NOT DECLARED; MNR = MODULE NOT RELEVANT)**

PRODUCT STAGE			CONSTRUCTION PROCESS STAGE		USE STAGE							END OF LIFE STAGE				BENEFITS AND LOADS BEYOND THE SYSTEM BOUNDARIES
Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport from the gate to the site	Assembly	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De-construction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse-Recovery-Recycling-potential
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
X	X	X	X	X	MND	MND	MNR	MNR	MNR	MND	MND	MND	X	X	X	X

## RESULTS OF THE LCA - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT according to EN 15804+A1: 1 m<sup>2</sup> GT average thick panel

Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C2	C3/1	C3/2	C4/1	C4/2	D/1	D/2
GWP	[kg CO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.]	5.56E+0	4.46E-2	1.77E-1	9.77E-3	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	4.56E+0	3.20E-1	-2.52E+0	-6.81E-2
ODP	[kg CFC11-Eq.]	9.54E-6	2.82E-13	1.91E-7	7.06E-14	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	5.36E-11	3.99E-11	-1.35E-9	-1.74E-11
AP	[kg SO <sub>2</sub> -Eq.]	1.43E-2	4.03E-4	3.35E-4	2.44E-5	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.82E-3	4.10E-4	-5.64E-3	-1.21E-4
EP	[kg (PO <sub>4</sub> ) <sup>3</sup> -Eq.]	1.92E-3	5.26E-5	4.84E-5	5.66E-6	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	4.30E-4	1.35E-4	-5.27E-4	-1.27E-5
POCP	[kg ethene-Eq.]	3.60E-3	-4.79E-6	7.67E-5	-6.73E-6	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.24E-4	8.70E-5	-4.59E-4	-1.44E-5
ADPE	[kg Sb-Eq.]	1.32E-5	2.81E-9	2.72E-7	7.30E-10	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	6.02E-8	3.31E-8	-6.45E-7	-1.89E-8
ADPF	[MJ]	1.34E+2	5.97E-1	2.84E+0	1.34E-1	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.70E+0	1.28E+0	-3.11E+1	-1.44E+0

Caption GWP = Global warming potential; ODP = Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer; AP = Acidification potential of land and water; EP = Eutrophication potential; POCP = Formation potential of tropospheric ozone photochemical oxidants; ADPE = Abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil resources; ADPF = Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources

## RESULTS OF THE LCA - INDICATORS TO DESCRIBE RESOURCE USE according to EN 15804+A1: 1 m<sup>2</sup> GT average thick panel

Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C2	C3/1	C3/2	C4/1	C4/2	D/1	D/2
PERE	[MJ]	1.84E+1	IND	3.99E-1	IND	IND	IND	3.98E-1	IND	IND	IND
PERM	[MJ]	1.92E-2	IND	-1.10E-2	IND	IND	IND	0.00E+0	IND	IND	IND
PERT	[MJ]	1.84E+1	2.71E-2	3.88E-1	7.75E-3	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	3.98E-1	3.34E-1	-9.32E+0	-1.91E-1
PENRE	[MJ]	6.81E+1	IND	2.16E+0	IND	IND	IND	7.38E+1	IND	IND	IND
PENRM	[MJ]	7.36E+1	IND	-1.97E+0	IND	IND	IND	-7.16E+1	IND	IND	IND
PENRT	[MJ]	1.42E+2	6.00E-1	1.89E-1	1.35E-1	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	2.21E+0	1.67E+0	-4.37E+1	-1.63E+0
SM	[kg]	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
RSF	[MJ]	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
NRSF	[MJ]	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
FW	[m <sup>3</sup> ]	4.16E-2	6.69E-5	1.00E-3	1.92E-5	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.11E-2	5.22E-4	-1.44E-2	-3.02E-4

Caption PERE = Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PERM = Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PERT = Total use of renewable primary energy resources; PENRE = Use of non-renewable primary energy excluding non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PENRM = Use of non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PENRT = Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources; SM = Use of secondary material; RSF = Use of renewable secondary fuels; NRSF = Use of non-renewable secondary fuels; FW = Use of net fresh water

## RESULTS OF THE LCA – WASTE CATEGORIES AND OUTPUT FLOWS according to EN 15804+A1: 1 m<sup>2</sup> GT average thick panel

Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C2	C3/1	C3/2	C4/1	C4/2	D/1	D/2
HWD	[kg]	9.92E-6	3.50E-8	2.00E-7	1.01E-8	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	2.08E-9	1.14E-8	-2.35E-8	-1.41E-9
NHWD	[kg]	1.97E-1	4.09E-5	6.18E-2	1.16E-5	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	3.50E-2	2.07E+0	-2.12E-2	-4.44E-4
RWD	[kg]	3.23E-3	1.16E-6	7.54E-5	2.89E-7	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	2.05E-4	1.54E-4	-4.99E-3	-7.55E-5
CRU	[kg]	2.55E-3	0.00E+0	5.10E-5	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
MFR	[kg]	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.76E-2	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
MER	[kg]	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.96E-2	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	2.12E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
EEE	[MJ]	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	9.64E-2	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.45E+1	8.30E-2	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
EET	[MJ]	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	2.18E-1	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	8.07E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0

Caption HWD = Hazardous waste disposed; NHWD = Non-hazardous waste disposed; RWD = Radioactive waste disposed; CRU = Components for re-use; MFR = Materials for recycling; MER = Materials for energy recovery; EEE = Exported electrical energy; EET = Exported thermal energy



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